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For: PROCESS FOR THE CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF A COMPOSITION
COMPRISING RUBBER, HYDROCARBON RESIN AND SOLVENT

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding Chinese Office Action and an English translation which cites Chinese Patent Publication No. 1272520 that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

Applicant is also enclosing a Russian Office Action and an English translation which cites US 3906421 and "Chemical Encyclopedia", "Bolshaya Rossyskaya Encyclopedia" edition, Moscow, 1995, vol. 4, pages 443, 444 that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office. US 5,358,693 and US 3,906,421 were previously cited and therefore not submitted herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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